

**IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

**Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the rewritten Abstract of the Disclosure located below:**

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An absorbent article includes an elongate absorbent body and a pair of left and right rear wing portions disposed at longitudinal opposite left and right sides of the absorbent body in a rear zone thereof. Each of the rear wing portions includes a liquid-retentive wing absorbent core. Furthermore, an absorbent article includes an elongate absorbent body and a pair of left and right wing portions disposed at longitudinal opposite left and right sides of the absorbent body. Each of the wing portions includes a laminated sheet formed by laminating at least two sheet materials and the two sheets of material are bonded to and along opposite side edges of the absorbent body 2 with an adhesive agent except for non-coated linear areas of a predetermined width formed on the wing portions.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:**

Conventional backwardly located wing portions are designed to prevent leakage in such a manner as to intercept body fluids which have overflowed from an absorbent core at a rear zone or which have exuded along a topsheet of the absorbent article.